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Official Paper of Amador co.

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The Direct Primary Law.

The state conventions of both the republican and democratic parties are pledged to support a change in the law, providing for the nomination of all candidates for election offices by the direct primary method. Of course, the republicans having control of both branches of the legislature, will be held responsible for any failure to enact such a law. The urgent need of this reform has been apparent for many years, but never was it so forcibly impressed upon the voters of this state as in the last campaign. The resentment of the rank and file at the autocratic methods pursued was manifest in both state and county tickets. The party thanks to the third party movement, won out on the state issue, but that fact by no means constitutes an endorsement of the methods resorted to at the state convention. On the contrary, an analysis of the vote shows that the tactics were emphatically condemned by the voters. A few such victories would be costly indeed to the republican party. The remedy for the evils that festered in the front so brazenly in the late campaign is the selection of all candidates by direct primary. This will strike at the root of the evil. It will relegate absolutely the selection of candidates to the majority of the party adherents. If they fail to exercise their rights to vote at the primary, that is their fault. Given the opportunity to express their choice, they alone are blamable if they fail to avail themselves of the right. The main cause of dissatisfaction—namely, the ignoring of the masses of voters—will be removed.

Already objections are being raised to the direct primary system. It is urged that it is costly; that it will entail much greater expense upon candidates, by requiring them to make two canvasses, instead of one under the convention methods. In the first place, an aspirant for public position would have to make a canvass within the ranks of the party to which he belongs to secure the nomination. If successful in this, he would then have to make a general canvass, as at present, to secure his election. While this may be all true, it is a very small matter when weighed against the benefits likely to flow from the reform plan. Such arguments will not satisfy the voters of either party for a failure of the legislature to pass the proposed law and thereby give the people a chance to test its merits by an actual trial. The bosses—those who manipulate state and county conventions, do not want to be shorn of their strength, and would prefer to stand by the convention methods. We trust the law makers soon to assemble at Sacramento will heed the imperative demand of the people for the direct primary plan of nominating elective officers.

E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, at whose laboratory Kodol is prepared, assure us that this remarkable digestant and corrective for the stomach conforms fully to all provisions of the National Pure Food and Drug Law. The Kodol laboratory is a very large one, but if all the inferences from indigestion and stomach troubles could know the virtues of Kodol it could be impossible for the manufacturers to keep up with the demand. Kodol is sold here by P. W. Ruhser.

Makes Reduction in Charges.

Twenty-five per cent reduction has been made by the government in charges for patenting mining claims, the order being now in effect. This schedule of prices will remain in force until further orders: Placer claim, \$30; lode claim, \$25; millsite, \$25; millsite included in survey with lode, \$15; lode claim within and included in survey of placer claim, \$15; several lode locations included in one survey first location named, \$25; all other locations included, each, \$20; several placer locations included in one survey, first location named \$30; all other locations included, each \$25; certificate of \$500 improvements after approval of survey, \$5.

Ladies Attention! Send your name, address and size of dress-shields, also name of dry goods store where you trade and receive free sample pair "Canfield" Hicks Brand Gossamer Weight Shields. Address "Canfield" care of the S. H. and M. Co., 25 South St., San Francisco, Cal.

A contract has just been awarded for printing the United States postage stamp for the next four years. It calls for 27,000,000 stamps daily. The American people do a very considerable amount of letter writing and stamp licking, a fact more clearly understood when a little illustration is used. If one tongue had to moisten all of these stamps it would have to move 426 miles a day, or 155,490 miles a year, allowing one inch for each stamp.

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Christmas.

Christmas tide is, by universal custom of Christendom recognized as the period of joy and gladness. It is not merely a national holiday season. It is the gala time which all Christian nations unite in celebrating. This is the only idea upon which the various nations have by common consent united. The custom has survived all the vicissitudes of time, the rise and fall of nations, since early Christian times. And it is apparently as deeply rooted in the popular mind to-day as it was a thousand years ago. The method of its celebration has undoubtedly changed. It is variously celebrated in different countries and nationalities to-day. And in each nationality the custom has undergone repeated change. But the fundamental idea runs through all the ages, and pervades all people—the celebration of the glad tidings said to have been heralded by heavenly messengers to the shepherds over the plains of Bethlehem at the birth of Christ. The precise date of that birth is a matter of dispute, and hence the holiday is celebrated at different dates, according to the opinions held on this matter.

From an austere religious festival it has come to be regarded as preeminent in the children's holiday. And even the word "holiday"—now modernized as "holiday"—carries an entirely different meaning from that which prevailed in early times. The fact is the custom of celebrating Christmas has broken loose from its original ecclesiastical bounds, and has become a season of general mirth and merry making apart from its religious environments. The churches celebrate it still, perhaps as sacredly and fervently as of old.

AMADOR.

Mrs. J. B. Trelogan and daughter, Dorothy, left for Oakland Saturday. Will Danlap is on the sick list. Sam Pierce, the hotelkeeper met with a serious accident Saturday evening, injuring his spine.

Miss Louise McLaughlin left for her home in Shasta Ridge Wednesday. Miss Hattie Hinkson is quite sick. Miss Alice Jacka is home for the holidays.

Mrs. Osterman of Nevada City, who has been visiting friends here for the past few weeks, left Monday morning. Mr. Hoadley left for his home in Martinez Thursday morning.

Miss Elia Purcell is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gordon.

Mr. Burns attended the institute in Sutter Creek Wednesday. The Misses Hazel and Idel Whitehead and Mae Kelly, visited Sutter Creek Tuesday, being the commencement of the teachers' institute.

Inquirer.

AUKUM.

Our burg like many others was visited by a heavy wind and rain storm last week, and where one goes the cry is mud, mud, but in spite of poor roads and mud, the roads are kept warm with people going to Plymouth to buy Christmas presents.

Rob. Carter, who has been gone all summer, returned home last week.

Sam Kasper, who has been working at the Phillips mine, has quit and moved his family back to his home at Shenandoah valley.

Frank Goffinet took a load of hogs to Amador Saturday.

Will Burns went to Plymouth Friday, to drive several head of his cattle home that strayed to the Taylor ranch.

Jack French's youngest child, and also Mrs. Farnsworth, who have been quite sick, are on the improve at this writing.

Rubie Dillon was the guest of Flora Goffinet Sunday last.

Ed. Harrell is working for Fritz Yager of Shenandoah.

Laura Votaw and Mrs. McClara were visitors at Mrs. N. Perry's Sunday.

The W. C. T. U's. will have a Christmas tree at Wrigglesworth's hall on the 21st. They will have it in the afternoon, as it seems that Santa Claus can't be there at night.

The Mt. Aukum W. C. T. U's held a mothers' meeting at Mrs. J. Humphrey's Saturday.

Mrs. W. Warren was at her mother's, Mrs. Farnsworth of Uno, for two days last week.

The Pigeon Creek school closed Friday, and Miss Jessie Brown, the teacher, gave certificates of honor to the scholars that were neither tardy nor absent during the term. Daisy Bell was the only pupil that received either and she got both. The scholars were glad of a vacation, after their term of hard study, but sorry to part with their teacher, as she was well liked by all of them. Giddy Dick.

TURKEYS FOR SALE—A fine lot of turkeys for sale. Mrs. Driscoll, Scottsville, near Jackson, Cal. 11

Ledger and Chicago Week's Inter-ocean, both papers for one year, \$2.50 in advance.

## LARGE MINING DEAL.

Argonaut Buys Hoffman Grounds—  
W. F. Detert Sells Large Block of Argonaut Stock.

A mining deal of vital importance to Jackson and to the community at large, was consummated this week, by which the control of the famous Argonaut mine will doubtless pass into other hands. There has been much wild talk in regard to this sale. Reports that have some foundation in fact, are exaggerated by repetition, until the wildest notions are given out as truth. To add to the confusion, the Amador Record of this week publishes a statement concerning the Argonaut and the sale which, to say the least, is utterly misleading, not only concerning the history of the mine, but in regard to the recent sale of stock; and which moreover is calculated to give the outside world a damaging impression of the methods of mining in Amador county in general.

We have endeavored to get the facts of this change of ownership of the Argonaut from headquarters, for the very purpose of giving the true version as nearly as possible.

Early this week two gentlemen from the east, W. K. Matthews of New York, representing the owners of the White Knob Copper Mining Company of Idaho, and W. O. Manson of Chicago, arrived in Jackson, their mission being to close the sale of the interest held by W. F. Detert in the Argonaut mine. This property is divided into 200,000 shares, and Mr. Detert has held a controlling interest therein. Mr. Manson was the promoter of the sale. Some time back Mr. Matthews became a stockholder in the Argonaut to the extent of about 40,000 shares, or one fourth of the property. The steadiness of the mine as a prolific dividend payer—for the Argonaut is in reality and has been for years, one of the biggest paying mining propositions in the state, gauged by the quotation price of the stock—helped along the move to dispose of a larger block of Detert's interest therein. Arriving here and seeing the situation, Mr. Matthews flatly declined to purchase, unless the adjoining ground—known as the Hoffman field, and all other purchases acquired by Mr. Detert for the purpose of protecting the mineral development of that ground, were included. This Hoffman field with the adjacent ground, has been a very costly property to Detert. It was his individual property, and the Argonaut had no interest therein, although it was the belief of the owner all along that it should be consolidated with the Argonaut. This consolidation was never effected, until the past week, when the issue was squarely presented by the intending purchasers. Under these circumstances the Argonaut company arranged to buy the Hoffman ground. The deed is not yet on record, but the sale may be said to be an accomplished fact.

Thereafter Mr. Detert sold a large block of stock to Matthews, how many shares we cannot say, but we may state, that with stock sold by B. F. Taylor and W. J. Harvey, the aggregate does not constitute a controlling interest. The price we do not know, but the figure \$500,000, is the mark. It does not amount to anything like that sum. The market price of the stock on the exchange is \$4.70 per share. Any large amount of shares thrown upon the market would break any such price. This would represent not quite a million for the mine. The stock sold was much below that rate.

Neither Mr. Detert nor Mr. Taylor have sold all their shares. The former will continue as president for some time any way. No doubt the New York purchasers will eventually get a controlling interest and probably Mr. Matthews will move to Amador county and take charge of the property.

While the negotiations were made for this transfer of stock in Jackson, the final arrangements, the actual transfer was to be made in San Francisco, and Mr. Detert received a message this morning to the effect that the money had been paid and stock duly delivered.

The mine is looking as well as ever. The sale will be a benefit to this section, as the new owners will arrange to work the property on a much larger scale. The Argonaut has always been conducted as a legitimate mining enterprise. It is unfortunate that at any time in its history it should be published as playing a freeze out game. Nothing is further from the actual truth. W. F. Detert has heretofore refused a liberal offer for his interest, because the parties would not consent to buy other stockholders on the same terms.

There has been a great deal of talk because of the discharge without honor of three companies of colored soldiers. Do you know why it was done? There was a good deal of friction between white citizens and the colored at Brownsville, Texas. One day a colored soldier was knocked down by a white citizen for jostling his wife. The same day a colored soldier rudely treated another white woman on the streets. This caused so much excitement that the soldiers were confined to their barracks. That night twelve or fifteen of them escaped and fired ten shots into a house containing two women and five children. The lieutenant of police, a man universally respected, rode toward the shooting. Although he did not even draw his revolver, the raiders, whom he estimated to be about fifteen in number, fired upon him, killed his horse, and shot him in the right arm, which afterwards had to be amputated below the elbow. Then they fired seven or eight shots into a hotel, killed the bartender of a saloon, slightly wounded a Mexican, fired five or six shots into another private house, two of which went through the mosquito bar over a bed in which a woman and two children were sleeping, and then apparently ran back to the barracks. The officer at first thought that the firing had come from the town side, and the men had no trouble in getting back and cleaning their rifles. When the soldiers were questioned, not one would admit any knowledge of any trouble.—Achisen Globe.

## Amador Pioneer Passes Away.

Hugh M. LaRue, a pioneer of Amador county, and for many years a prominent resident of Sacramento, died in that city on Wednesday of last week. He was 76 years and 8 months old, and a native of Kentucky. His parents removed to Missouri in 1839, when that State was overrun with Indians. In 1849, when a boy of 19, he joined the Sublette-Conduct expedition, across the plains for the Pacific coast. He first settled at Fiddletown, in this county, now known as Oleta, and thereafter removed to Willow Springs, and thence to Marysville. From the latter town he started a trading expedition to the north. In June 1850, he engaged in the blacksmithing and wagon making business in Sacramento. He was one of the pioneer orchardists of the Sacramento valley, planting 75 acres in deciduous fruits in 1857, the most extensive orchard planted up to that time. It was ruined by the flood of 1858, in which year he again moved to Sacramento city, where he has resided ever since. He was a strong democrat in politics. He was elected sheriff of Sacramento in 1873. He was afterwards a member of the constitutional convention in 1879, assemblyman in 1883-4, and speaker of the house in that session. He filled the office of railroad commissioner from 1891 to 1895. In 1858 he married Miss P. M. Ligenby of Colusa county. Three sons survive him—Calhoun Lee, Hugh McElroy and John Rush.

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Notice  
To Taxpayers.

Office of the Tax Collector  
County of Amador, State of California.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE taxpayers of Amador county, that I, T. K. NORMAN, Tax Collector of Amador county, will on the 8th day of December, 1906, receive from the County Auditor of Amador county the original assessment books for the year 1906, containing a list of the persons assessed for real and personal property, and the amount of State and County taxes due thereon for said year.

That said taxes are now due and payable to me at my office in the Court House, in the town of Jackson, county of Amador, State of California.  
That the taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one half of the taxes on all real property were due and payable on the second Monday in October, 1906, and will be delinquent on the first Monday in November next thereafter, at 6 o'clock p. m., and that unless paid prior thereto, fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and if said one half be not paid before the last Monday in April next, at 6 o'clock p. m., an additional five per cent will be added thereto.

That the remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property will be payable on and after the first Monday in January next, and will be delinquent on the last Monday in April next thereafter, at 6 o'clock p. m., and that unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and if said one-half be not paid before the last Monday in April next, at 6 o'clock p. m., an additional five per cent will be added thereto.

That all taxes may be paid at the time the first installment is due, and in full of the taxes on all real property, and one half of the taxes on all personal property, delinquent November 30th, 1906, at 6 o'clock p. m.  
Second installment, one-half real estate, due January 7th, 1907.  
All taxes may be paid in full at the time the first installment is due.

Taxes not paid according to law will be delinquent, and 15 per cent and 5 per cent and other costs will be added thereto.

Positively no Checks received for the payment of taxes.

T. K. NORMAN,  
Tax Collector of Amador county.

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Globe—W. Lampert, Sacramento; C. N. Thoms, Sutter; W. McLane, Defender; A. Jones, Pine Grove; L. A. Cook, Volcano; J. P. Daley, Gilroy; Carl Koch, Sacramento; W. W. Plummer, Sacramento; J. H. Adams, San Francisco; Mike Heffern, Ione; W. L. Ross, Sutter Creek; Lucy E. Smith, Mabel Phillips, Defender; Mrs. W. A. McKenney, Alice J. Berry, Pine Grove; E. D. Call, Clinton; J. C. Cheney, San Francisco; J. H. Hoffman, Stockton; C. A. Clinton, San Francisco; Grant P. Merrill, Woodford; Ray Vancou, Electro; Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Antelope; Wm. H. Yeager, Mrs. Freeman, Electro; J. Adams, Middle Bar; W. H. Campbell, Chicago; F. E. Clark, San Francisco; W. H. N. Bois, Antelope; Geo. Luse, Ione; Capt. Glenn, Aqueduct; A. P. Griffin, Volcano; J. E. Cate, Chicago; G. W. Edwards, Sacramento; J. C. Finck, San Francisco; J. F. Marmon, J. E. Harmon, Tuolumne; A. L. Sullinger, San Francisco; J. Bird and wife, Electro; Mrs. P. Clarke, Electro; Con O'Neil Del Monte; J. H. Merrill, San Francisco; J. C. Werley, Defender; Tony Levaggi, West Point; Grant P. Merrill, Woodford; O. L. Webster, C. Bradshaw, Pine Grove; J. Cassels, Sutter Creek; F. B. Joyce, Defender; David Fisher and son, Wieland; James Fullen, Amador City; M. Pournier, New York; Jos. Datson, Plymouth; C. W. Randall, Berkeley; Jas. McElride, Sacramento; J. J. Parsons, Stockton; G. H. Johnson, J. J. McElride, Placerville.

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## Notice of Assessment.

Jose Gulch Mining Company, a corporation, duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the law of the state of California, having its office and principal place of business at Butte Basin (Jackson post office), Amador county, California, and its property and works at the same place. Notice is hereby given that, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jose Gulch Mining Company, held on the 3rd day of December 1906, an assessment of five (5) cents per share was levied on the subscribed capital stock of the above named corporation, payable on or before the 15th day of January, 1907, to the secretary of the said corporation, J. P. Little, at Butte Basin, (Jackson post office), Amador county, California.

Any stock on which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 15th day of January, 1907, will be delinquent and will be advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment be made before the 4th day of February, 1907, said delinquent stock will be sold on that day (Feb. 4th, 1907), to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

J. P. LITTLE,  
Secretary of the Jose Gulch Mining Company.

Office at Butte Basin, (Jackson post office), Amador county, California.

CITY of JACKSON

DELINQUENT

TAX LIST

FOR THE YEAR 1906.

Office of the City Tax Collector,

City of Jackson,

County of Amador.

Public notice is hereby given that

the following is the delinquent tax

list of the city of Jackson for the year

1906, containing the names of the

persons and a description of the property

delinquent, and the amount of taxes

and costs due opposite each name, with the taxes due on personal

property added to the taxes on real

estate, where the real estate is

liable therefor, or where several taxes

are due from the same person, to wit:

Taxes & Costs

D. DORNAN—A house and lot

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No. 1, also personal property

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## OUR HOLIDAY SHOWING

Have you seen it? We invite you to come now. There are beautiful gifts—some very rare for the price—and many novelties never shown before in this section. We gladly show you everything, and tell you all we can willingly and courteously, even though you have no intention of buying.

### RUHSER'S CITY PHARMACY.

Jackson, Cal.

## LOCAL NEWS

rs. Barkan & Sewall—Specialists in eye, ear, nose and throat, are now located at 1700 California St., corner of Ness Ave., San Francisco.

Robert W. Scott, who has been jobber in the Dispatch office for the past year, has secured a more lucrative position in state printing office in Sacramento, and will leave for his new field of labor after New Year's. He was tendered a position there, declined.

Costumes for the mask ball will be at the Jackson Shoe Store on 26th or 27th, be on hand and get your costume.

F. Herrick and wife, who have been in San Francisco for several weeks for the past two weeks on business concerning the state board dental examiners, are expected to be the last of this week.

Christmas Announcement—First service will be celebrated at 8 o'clock. Missa Cantata at 10 a. m. Augmented choir.

Will soon arrive at the Jackson Shoe Store, the costumes for the big show, leave your order for a costume at the Jackson Shoe Store.

T. Camp, who started the Amador Nugget at Amador City and toward the Enterprise at Ione, was sent in Fallon, Churchill county, Nevada, looking up a new location starting in the newspaper business. David Fisher, who for several years conducted mining operations around Ione, came up from the city this week for a visit. He expects to return next Sunday.

rs. E. Cox, who has been visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Taylor, the past month, left Monday morning for her home in Reno, Nev. P. Wilson, Dentist, Hours 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Phone—Office, black residence, Black 523; Jackson. Mr. Flour always has been and is the best.

Harry Dye arrived Sunday evening in Seattle, on a visit to his parents, and Mrs. Jas. E. Dye. He will return about two weeks.

rs. N. Nuner, formerly of the Union of this city, but latterly of Ione, is visiting Mrs. Conlon for a day, and also looking after some business matters in Calaveras county. He has no time to waste now, for he is only a few days left, go to Jackson Shoe Store.

Salinas Index of the 4th says E. C. Rust, a well-known California journalist, arrived in that town previous evening to take charge on business end of the Index, in place of B. T. K. Preston, who will leave on a visit to the Atlantic states.

When you wish the finest flavored cakes and teas, remember that W. J. Leeks only the best.

rs. L. J. Glavinovich left early this week on a visit to her parents, and Mrs. S. G. Spagnoli, at Richmond, Contra Costa county. She will return after the holidays.

The new skating rink in Love's hall is expected to be ready for the patrons the pastime to-morrow night. Mrs. Love intends to go to Oakland to the skating business is conducted in the hall.

Miss Ethel Fullen is giving up the linen business, and will offer her stock of millinery goods at wholesale prices. Sale commences Friday, December 27.

The four sons of nightwatchman, F. Parker, are all doing well in Oakland and vicinity. Charles, although 19 years of age, has been promoted by Wells Fargo Company from his position at Fresno, to assistant cashier at Oakland. Ruel is also working at Oakland for the Southern Pacific Company. Clarence is employed by Santa Fe as an engineer, at Point Richmond, and the youngest, Arthur, working in the tool house of the road company.

rs. E. Cox have decided to put the best of what can be bought in Jackson, and we have done so, Jackson Shoe Store.

We make a specialty of printing all of notes, receipts, checks, etc., at your orders to the Ledger. After Colford, formerly of Jackson, now of Redding, is visiting relatives and friends in Jackson, and will stay until after the holidays. His wife and children have been here visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mounter, for some weeks. Mr. Mounter is engaged in contracting and building in Redding, and is doing well in that thriving town.

OR SALE—Two story business building on east side of Main street, Ione, known as the Koch building, a 12 per cent net on investment, \$3900, will take \$1000 down and balance on balance. C. Koch, 727 street, Sacramento, Cal.

### M. E. Church Notice.

The Methodist church is beautifully decorated and the choir has prepared some choice music for a special evening. There will be the usual service at 11 a. m., and Sunday school at 2 p. m. In the evening the following special music will be presented:

Hymn—107, Joy to the World, Handel; anthem—Hallelujah to the king, Chas. Gabud; hymn—121, O little town of Bethlehem, air Redner; Glorious song of old, air Blanquest; Mrs. Winning, Miss Griffin, Miss Boardman, Messrs Hoskings and Rule, Sing, O sing the Blessed Morn—Air Schuecker; Miss Norma Smith, anthem—Great is the Lord, Vance; Hymn 125—O come all ye faithful.

Next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock the Cantata "A merry Christmas," will be presented in the Methodist church by fifty of the Sunday school children under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Winning. There will be a Christmas tree, but no presents will be placed thereon except the Christmas favors for the Sunday school children. All are welcome to attend—seats free.

Rev. C. E. Winning has been in Amador City during the past week, engaged in evangelistic services in the Methodist church of that place.

It is noticeable a cold seldom comes on when the bowels are freely open. Neither can it stay if they are open. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup tastes as pleasant as maple sugar. Free from all opiates. Contains honey and tar. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by F. W. Ruhser.

### Jackson Athletic Club.

The Jackson Athletic Club has been reorganized, and starts out with a very favorable outlook. Webb hall has been rented as a meeting place. It will be partitioned off, so as to give the club exclusive quarters for its exercises. The paraphernalia consisting of roped arena, trapeze, swings etc., has been moved from the old quarters in Well building, and is being put in shape for active work. The club has a membership of 45. It is something of great advantage to the young men of the town to have a meeting place for the development of muscle and practice in the art of self-defense.

Ladies' felt Julietts in all styles and sizes; also a swell line of misses' and children's, just arrived, come early, Jackson Shoe Store.

The snowfall in the mountains has been fully up to the average at this season of the winter. During the last storm 34 inches was reported at Blue Lakes; that was about the middle of the storm. The fall must have been considerable since.

Carl Koch came up from Sacramento Saturday evening to effect a sale, if satisfactory terms could be arranged, of the Koch building, on Main street, belonging to his mother. He failed to negotiate a sale, and the property is advertised for sale in another column. Mr. Koch is engaged in the real estate business in the capital city, having resigned a position as engineer with the Southern Pacific Company to enter this more lucrative field. He has been very successful in his ventures the past year, and he expects that in a short time his fortune will be represented by five figures.

Mrs. Sadie Kay left Sunday morning for Lincoln, Placer county, to spend the holiday season with her relatives there.

Robt. I. Kerr left Sunday morning for Goldfield, Nev., to engage in mining and other business in that bustling camp.

The new skating rink at Love's hall will open to-morrow night Dec. 22nd. The Jackson brass band will furnish music for the occasion. Social dance after the skating is over.

There will be a dance at Love's hall after the skating is over to-morrow night, given by the Jackson brass band.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

P. Cuneo has a new stock of Christmas goods, which he has been selling at reasonable prices. In order to meet competitors he is going to make a further reduction—principally because he has no storage room, and makes this announcement that all may know how liberal he will be to new customers.

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## MINING NOTES.

Jose Gulch—The annual meeting of stockholders of the Jose Gulch Mining Company was held at the office of the company at Butte City, where the works are located, on December 3d. Directors were elected for the ensuing year as follows: H. M. Haines of Stockton, president; Henry Whitney of Oakland, vice president; J. P. Little of Stockton, secretary; F. M. Farwell, superintendent, and Mr. Broad of Oakland, E. G. Mayhorn of Oakland was elected treasurer. Mr. Farwell is developing the mine carefully, and although he has considerable milling ore out ready to crush, he will not start milling until he has sufficient out or in sight to ensure a lengthened run. He has put the Butte ditch in excellent working order. This canal belongs to the company, and is a very valuable property in itself. Mr. Farwell has strong hopes of placing the mine on a good paying basis.

Gold Top—This gravel claim at Pine Grove, is again in working order. The restraining dam that was first built to comply with the requirements of the debris commissioners, was not approved, and had to be practically rebuilt. It was found to be too water tight. It impounded not only the coarse debris, but also the fine slickens as well. Consequently it would have speedily filled up, and the debris flowed over the dam, just the same as though no dam had been built. It is now put up in a sieve like manner, allowing the fine material, which is really a fertilizer, to go through. The owner expects to make a paying venture out of this undertaking. They have expended a large amount of money in getting the claim in working order, and the success of the scheme means a good deal to Pine Grove, as there is gravel enough to last for years.

### Fell to His Death.

George Annich, a young Austrian miner, was killed in the Gwin mine on Saturday morning last. He had been working at a place in the mine where the air was bad. On reaching the shaft on the fatal morning, preparatory to boarding the skip to ascend to the surface, after completing his shift, he complained that he was not feeling well; his head ached, believed to be caused by the gases where he had been working. Some of his fellow workmen advised him not to get on the skip or cage at that time but to get some water and bathe his face, that would probably revive him. He declined to take this advice, saying he would wait until he got on top. Fatal resolve. The light of day he was destined never again to see. He got on the cage. It seems they take from 20 to 25 men out at a time, as the cage is provided with four decks or platforms, 6 or 7 men riding on each deck. Annich must have ascended from 150 to 200 feet, and then fell off into the shaft. His companions did not know exactly where he fell off. The shaft which they were ascending is known as the down air shaft—the rush of fresh air being down that shaft, and up the other compartment. It is supposed that when the current of fresh air struck the young miner, he fainted, and toppled over to his death. The body was recovered as soon as possible, and the remains were brought to Jackson the same evening. The funeral was held on Monday, under the direction of the Miners' Union of Paloma, of which the deceased was a member. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

Deceased was only 22 years of age. He had been working in the Gwin about one year. Prior to that he worked in the Zeila. He leaves a cousin in Sacramento, who came up to attend the funeral.

Open the bowels and get the cold out of your system. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup opens the bowels and at the same time allays the inflammation of the mucous membranes. Contains honey and tar. Drives out the cold and stops the cough. Absolutely free from any opiates. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Pleasant to take. Sold by F. W. Ruhser.

### Oneida School House Burned.

The Oneida schoolhouse buildings were entirely destroyed by fire between 12 and 1 o'clock Wednesday morning. There were two buildings, both of frame. One was erected only a few years back, to accommodate the increasing attendance. The erection of this addition involved the district in a bonded indebtedness, which, however, has been entirely paid. Before the fire was discovered, one building was completely enveloped in flames, and little could be done in the way of saving any of the contents of either building. The schoolhouses were nicely furnished, and provided with a good library. The total loss will reach fully \$1000. There was an insurance of \$2100.

The origin of the fire is shrouded in mystery. The general impression is that it was the work of an incendiary, prompted by malicious motives. But why the spirit of malice should find vent in the destruction of a school building, in which every property holder and parent has an interest, is beyond unravelment.

The trustees will no doubt arrange to rebuild as soon as possible. This will involve the district in an indebtedness of \$3000 or \$4000, as the probability is that brick or stone will be the material used. The school term will not be finished until May. In the meantime, temporary quarters will be looked up to carry on the school. Nothing definite has been decided on this point as yet.

### FOR SALE.

Quartz mill let at auction on Jan. 5, 1907, in Troluume, Cal. A complete modern ten stamp mill, with all accessories. Little used practically good as new. For particulars address, Goldwin Mining Co., Troluume, Cal.

Just arrived, our new line of men's slippers, all prices and styles, Jackson Shoe Store.

## FALLS 2300 FEET.

### E. Molognoni Steps into Oneida Shaft, and is Mangled to Pieces

One of the most horrible accidents that we have been called upon to chronicle in the annals of mining in this county, occurred at the Oneida mine, early Tuesday morning, causing the instant death of Eugene Molognoni. How the victim came to make the mistake that led to his death is a matter of conjecture. He was an experienced miner, and had worked at the Oneida mine for two years and five months.

Molognoni lived with his brother, Fortunato Molognoni, at the late Pernollet place, about a mile from the mine. He was employed as car man at the 2200 level, between the winze and the main shaft. Before leaving home on the previous evening, he complained of not feeling well, and told his brother when he started for the mine, that if he did not feel better he would not go to work. Reaching the mine, however, he did not mention that he was sick, and went to work as usual. His partner was Agostino Biasotti, and to him during the working shift he complained of sickness. He was told to take it easy, that he would make up for his shortcomings.

Shortly after 3 o'clock he got on the skip with ten or twelve others. He was riding on the top of the skip, on the southeast corner, and ascending the north compartment—the down-air compartment. Reaching the surface, he stepped backwards, at the same time letting go the cable he was holding. He thereby unwittingly stepped squarely into the chasm of the south compartment, falling to the sump, a distance of 2300 feet. His body struck the timbers of the shaft in its awful plunge, and was literally torn to fragments.

His partner was standing close beside him when he took the fearful plunge. He did not see him make the mistake, but heard the dinner bucket, which he carried in the disengaged hand, strike the first set of timbers, and remarked, "My partner gone down."

The body was mangled in a shocking manner. Deceased was a man of 170 or 180 pounds weight, and the trunk when recovered from the bottom, was probably less than 70 pound weight. Portion of the body was scattered over the shaft timbers, and recovered in candle boxes. It was the most shockingly mangled body that coroner Huberty had ever met with in his experience as coroner and undertaker. The remains were simply sewn up in a canvas. There was no possibility of joining them to resemble a human frame.

The dinner bucket struck a wall plate a short distance from the surface, and tipped its contents of lunch on the timbers. The bucket went down. The lunch indicated that the contents of the pail were intact—that the deceased had not partaken thereof, no doubt on account of his not feeling well.

His watch was found at the 1200 station. The glass face was broken, otherwise it was not badly battered. The hands marked 3:20—the time the disaster occurred.

Some believe that being sick he fainted on reaching the top of the shaft, by contact with the fresh and keen air. The more probable explanation is, that he was confused, had no recollection of the bearings of the shaft, and stepped into the other compartment, believing he was stepping onto terra firma. It was the only direction that he could possibly step from the skip into the shaft.

An inquest was held the same afternoon before coroner, G. M. Huberty and the following named jurors, J. H. Thrasher, Jos. Dalo, L. Poggi, John Gruci, W. Leary, J. Bellomo, W. Hanley, Theo Schwartz and R. Webb. The following witnesses were examined: E. Hampton, superintendent, E. Hampton, jr., N. Basolovich, Blas Chruich, A. Martignasovich, Agostino Biasotti and A. Petronzi. The jury brought in the following verdict:

"That deceased Eugene Molognoni, a native of Tyrol, Austria, aged 50 years, came to his death, by accidentally stepping from the skip, on reaching the top of the shaft, into the south compartment of the shaft, and that no blame attaches to any one on account of said accidental death."

The funeral took place yesterday. Services were held in the Catholic church, and the remains laid to rest in the local cemetery of that denomination.

Deceased was a married man, having a wife and children in Austria.

### Rainfall.

The rainfall for the present season, as measured by the Ledger office gauge, is as follows:

Up to Nov. 30	2.63
Dec. 8	1.34
" 10	5.12
" 11	12.24
" 13	0.19
" 14	0.11
Total	11.63

For corresponding period last season 3.30.

The weather the past week has been cold and foggy. The fog has remained the greater portion of each day. The weather is better for vegetation, however, that the severe frosts we had experienced previously. Grass is making good headway. Everything looks well from an agricultural outlook. The unprecedented rainfall of last week washed away much of the subsoil on sloping lands. In places the bare bedrock is exposed by this washing process. This is of course on cultivated land. Land not cultivated stands the downpour well enough, but when loosened up it washes badly in spots. The amount of debris carried into the streams and thence to the lowlands in this way by the recent storm would no doubt far exceed the debris from hydraulic mining for many years.

## DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

The following instruments have been filed for record in the recorder's office since our last report. We publish a complete list of documents recorded, and must decline to accede to any request to suppress any document from these columns. Don't ask us to do so.

Deeds—John S. McAlfee and wife, to W. F. Detert, 200 acres 36-8-9, \$1000.  
Carlotia Zannini to Charles Boro, lot 14 block 6, Sutter Creek, \$1.  
Alva B. Clute and wife, to E. Marre & Bro., lot 1 block 3, V. Icano, \$10.

Antonio Rossi to Joseph Garibaldi, 120 acres, 20-7-12, \$10.  
M. W. Belshaw to C. A. Purington, lot 5 block 8, Oleta, \$100.

B. F. Taylor to Samuel S., John R., Jesse C. and Wm. Y. Avise, Arise ranch near Jackson, \$10.  
James Avise and wife, to Samuel S., John R., and Wm. Y. Avise, Arise ranch near Jackson.

R. C. Rust as judge, to Joseph Cuneo, lot 1 block 3, Volcano, town-site deed.

Trust Deed—Theodore Crocker and wife, to Bank of Amador county, part of lot 19 block 2, \$720.

Chas L. Eggleston and wife, to Louise E. Gill, part of lot 3 block 1, Sutter Creek, \$221.50.

Proof of Labor—George Turcino-vich, on Farrell quartz mine.

C. Feldhusen, quartz claim in Oleta district.

G. A. Parker, on Edith quartz mine, Robinson district.

Milton A. Palmer, on Lunger placer claim, Oleta district.

A. M. Vaughn, on Bryan and Caucasian claims, Plymouth district.

W. H. Sharp, Bellmahone placer, Oleta district.

W. A. Courtright, Courtright quartz claim, Jackson district.

S. C. Chaney, on Chance Manganese mine, Jackson district.

Decree of Distribution—Estate of L. J. Fontenrose to Mrs May E. Fontenrose, property in Jackson.

Satisfaction of Mortgage—Marguerite Molino to Ida Passero.

Satisfaction of Chattel Mortgage—R. W. Ketcham to A. Jones.

Certificate of Redemption—Amelia Joy, 160 acres 18-19-7, taxes of 1901, \$8.68.

Mrs R. C. Mayes, lot 4 block 6, Ione, taxes of 1900, \$1.05.

A. C. Adams, lot 3 block 2, lot 2 block 3, Pine Grove, \$26.70, taxes of 1900.

Notice of Intention to Sell—C. G. Boro, to R. H. Clemence, Boro saloon, Sutter Creek, and stock of liquors therein, \$1300.

Mortgage—Ida Passero, administratrix, to Marguerite Molino, property near Jackson Gate; \$1043, one year, 8 per cent.

Estray Notice—George Keffer, one cow and yearling heifer, valued about \$23.

Reconveyance—Louise E. Gill to Chas L. Eggleston and wife, lot in Sutter Creek.

### SUPERIOR COURT.

HON. R. C. RUST, JUDGE.

Estate of J. L. Barney—Hearing on return of sale of personal property, consisting of five head of cattle, sold to E. D. Barney for \$50, set for December 24, also hearing of petition for distribution and final discharge set for same date.

Estate of L. Ryne—Hearing on return of sale of real estate, consisting of one-third interest of land in Lake county, sold to James Burns for \$55.12, set for Dec. 29.

Estate of L. N. Martell—Hearing on sale of 10 head of cattle to John Raggio for \$212, set for Dec. 29.

Estate of E. S. Potter—Final account of special administrator filed, also return of sale of personal property for \$1707.47 to various parties. Set for hearing Dec. 23.

Estate of George N. Radanovich—Geo. M. Huberty petitions for letters of administration; December 29, set for hearing.

Ross Morgan vs. F. Eudey et al.—Trial set for December 28, jury waived.

B. Nickley vs. J. Nicholas—Argument on motion for new trial and submission thereof set for December 22.

F. M. Whitmore vs. Jackson Lodge L. O. O. F.—Demurrer argued and submitted.

Application of Adeline E. Burgin for sole trader—Application granted.

Estate of E. McWayne—Order for partial distribution granted.

Estate of James Passero—Petition to mortgage property granted.

Estate of C. J. Ruffner—Petition for return of \$320 for purchase of real estate under an incorrect description of property, granted, and deed executed for the property sold, ordered cancelled.

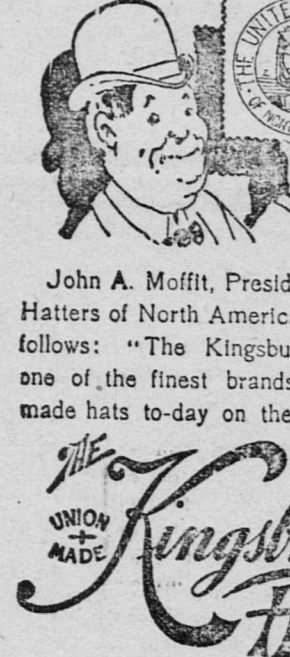
Leora R. Dart vs. Louis Dart—Complaint filed; summons issued.

### Postal Changes.

Under recent orders from the post office department, the rental of post office boxes will hereafter be regulated by the receipts of the respective offices. And the offices have been classified for these purposes. Jackson postoffice is under the classification of receipts between \$5000 and \$10000 per year. Heretofore there has been three sizes of post office boxes, but two rental charges; the two smaller sizes of boxes being charged for at 50 cents per quarter; the third or larger size being 75 per quarter. Hereafter commencing on the 1st of January next the rent of boxes will be 45c, 60c and 75c per quarter.

Another ruling that will go into effect in March next provides that newspapers or periodicals, having coupons intended to be cut out of the paper and returned to the advertiser as votes or otherwise in premium offers, are not within the scope of second class matter of 1c per pound, but will be charged at the rate of 1c per ounce. This order will take effect after March 4 next, so that publishers and advertisers can arrange their business to conform with the ruling.

DeWitt's Early Risers  
The famous little pills.



I Wish to Thank the People of Jackson and Amador County for past and future Patronage and Ask the same Favor for 1907

Teachers' Institute.  
The annual teachers' institute of Amador county was held in Sutter Creek, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. All the attractions in the way of outside professors as announced were present, and made the gathering, according to all the reports, the most interesting and instructive of the kind ever held in this county. Those upon whose shoulders fell the burden of instruction were masters in their respective departments. The institute concluded its labors Wednesday. We shall endeavor to publish the proceedings next week.

Has Stood the Test 25 Years.

The old, original Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. You know what you're taking, it is iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. 50c.

SHOW'S SHOE STORE SUTTER

To Cure a Cold in One Day  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.  
Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months.

## JACKSON SHOE STORE

J. McCUTCHEN, Proprietor.

CLOTHING. Never before has there been shown as nice or a more up-to-date line of Clothing than we are showing the people of Amador county.

OVERCOATS. What is the matter with a good Overcoat for a Christmas present; nothing better. See our line at \$6.50 to \$18.

MEN'S HATS Kingsbury Hats

NONE BETTER. You get the Latest Styles when you buy our lines, OUR CLOTHING IS MADE FOR US.

DRESS SHIRTS AND NECKTIES.

SILK SHIRTS. White Jap Silk Shirts—a beautiful present.  
\$1 SHIRTS. We have just received a swell line at the price.  
NECKTIES. We have a big assortment of all the latest styles of Ties; all the new shades here.

LADIES' BACK COMBS.

25c Combs. Now is the time Come on.  
50c Combs. Never better at the price.  
75c to \$2. All the new styles, best grade.

HAND BAGS.

No end to the large assortment of Ladies' Hand Bags; latest styles.

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS.

10c Handkerchief. Best assortment in town here.  
20c Hank'f. Regular 25c grade for 20c.  
Hdkf. 25c to 20c. Pure sheer linen; all styles.

MEN'S WUFFLERS.

Just received, a handsome line of Gents' Wufflers; prices right.

FELT SHOES.

Ladies' Felt Julietts for \$1 and \$1.25, best shoes you ever bought.

Men's. Women's. Wisses' Children's & Boys' Shoes

Men's Slippers. A swell line, just arrived.  
Ladies' Shoes. All sizes, all styles. Best in county.  
Misses' & Boys'. Never before have have better line.

Unclaimed Letters.



